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Terrarium Project

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday 16th July 2019, Class 2 will be taking part in a collaborative, creative performance called Terrarium at the Hurlers Stone Circle, on Minions, Bodmin Moor. Throughout this project, we will be working closely with choreographer Simon Birch, to put together a dance piece to perform alongside other Cornish Schools. This event is part of DR2's 'SALT 2019 Festival of Outdoor Dance'.

We will be leaving Otterham School at 9:00 am by coach and once we arrive, spend the morning going through final rehearsals along with the other schools.

As part of the event, all parents and families are invited to join their children for a celebratory picnic lunch. The organisers would like to make this as splendid and unique as possible and they would therefore invite you to prepare a special picnic for your party (including your children). You will also need something to sit on - possibly blankets, cushions, folding chairs, parasols, mobile chandeliers or candelabra! - anything you think you will need. Parents and families are invited to arrive at the car park (see attached map) and meet children at the Houseman's engine house (see attached picture.) Parents can arrive from 12 o'clock for a 12:15 lunch.

After lunch, everyone will head over towards the Hurlers Stone Circles to watch the performance. It will be a short 5 minute walk across the moorland from the Engine House to the Stone Circles, on relatively flat but some unstable ground. Access underfoot is quite reasonable with tracks and grass, wheelchair access is possible across the grass from picnic site to performance site. The performance is due to start at 1:45pm.

The performance is expected to finish at roughly 2:45pm, after which, everyone will head back to the Houseman's engine house to collect belongings, then children can depart with parents/carers. If you are unable to attend the picnic or performance, then you will need to collect your child by 3pm from the Engine House at Minions.

If you are attending the picnic, then you will be hopefully bringing lunch for your child. If not, children will need a packed lunch (home or school provided), a drink, a sunhat and sun cream and will need to be wearing their PE kit. A packed lunch can be provided by school. Please ensure that this has been ordered via Aspens SELECT by Friday 5th July 2019.

There is a contingency plan if the weather is forecast to be bad. This event is highly vulnerable to the impact of bad weather such as the cold, wind and rain. The organisers will be keeping a very close eye on the weather forecast in the run up to the event. If they conclude that the weather is likely to make the event difficult or not enjoyable for all concerned, they will deploy the wet weather fallback which is to relocate the whole event as described to Starts Outdoor Theatre at Upton Cross. This is a 400 seat covered amphitheatre with a large stage.

There will be no charge for the coach or the children attending the event. The organisers are not charging for tickets for the event, but would like to invite donations from the audience on the day of £3 a head.

This is a fantastic opportunity being provided to the children and we are extremely fortunate and privileged to have had it offered to our school. To provide consent, please tick below.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss Parker and the team at Dance Republic 2.